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Ref: 8EPR-SR

Mr. Tim Harcourt  
321 Dakota Avenue  
Libby, MT 59923

Dear Mr. Harcourt:

You requested a letter from EPA regarding the status of your property at 321 Dakota Avenue. EPA conducted an inspection of the property in 2002. The purpose of the inspection was to identify potential sources of Libby asbestos, such a vermiculite attic insulation, and to collect soil samples if necessary. The inspectors did not observe any vermiculite insulation but indicated they could not confirm this without additional inspection (due to a deep layer of cellulose insulation). This inspection will likely occur this year. We have not yet analyzed the soil samples which were collected, but did not observe any visible vermiculite in outdoor soils. Soil samples will be analyzed later this year to ensure no Libby asbestos is present.

If cleanup is required, it will be performed by EPA will be at no cost to the owner, either current or future. The details of any cleanup will be discussed and agreed upon with the owner prior to any work. If you have any questions, please contact the EPA Information Center in Libby at 293-6194.

Sincerely,

Jim Christiansen  
Superfund Project Manager

